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For: CHROMATIC DISPERSION COMPENSATION CONTROLLING SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with <u>strikethrough</u>.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 31, line 17, with the following paragraph:

<u>Figs. 51a, 51b and 51c show Fig. 51 shows</u> the configuration of another preferred embodiment of the chromatic dispersion compensation controlling system of the present invention.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 32, line 8, with the following paragraph:

Figs. 55a, 55b and 55c show Fig. 55 shows the simulation for confirming the effectiveness of the preferred embodiment of the chromatic dispersion compensation controlling system of the present invention (No. 4); and